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In re application of:

Evan C. Unger et al.

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For: **NOVEL TARGETED COMPOSITIONS
FOR DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USE**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 18, 2000**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2000, please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows.

In the Claims

100. (Amended) A formulation for therapeutic or diagnostic use comprising, in combination with a bioactive agent, lipid[, protein or polymer] vesicles encapsulating a